

## **EMBARCADERO**

**PLANNING** The Embarcadero Station Access Plan was completed in 2002. It is being enhanced and updated through community outreach program in Chinatown, which is funded through an Environmental Justice Grant from Caltrans and will be completed in Summer 2004. A Comprehensive Plan for Embarcadero Station, combining its Access Plan, its Capacity Plan (see Station Capacity Study below) and a Station Area Plan, will also be completed in Summer 2004.

The proposal for a new Transbay Terminal project, including an underground connection to BART, linking to either Montgomery Station or Embarcadero Station, may be eligible for Proposition K, transportation sales tax, funds.

BART participated in the Market Street Study managed by the SFCTA that includes numerous recommendations for improved bicycle and transit access, signage, and circulation.

**ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS** Construction of the 150 space attended bike station was recently completed. Operation, funded for one year, began in May 2003. The selected contractor has experience in retail and is interested in implementing services to generate revenue in order to offset the costs of operation. Efforts are continually underway to find further operating funds. As part of the bicycle signage project, signage is being developed for the Embarcadero Bicycle Station and is expected to be installed in mid-2004.

As a part of the “Art at BART” program, the bike station includes bike mural panels as part of the design and structure of the facility.

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority completed its Market Street Study in 2003, calling for improved transit, pedestrian and bicycle access that will connect with BART stations. Many of the recommendations in this study are eligible for Proposition K funding.

This station will have new, ADA-compliant platform edge tiles installed, pending the receipt of grant funds. New faregates are proposed that allow direct access between the Muni-metro and BART stations at Embarcadero. These faregates are eligible for funding from Proposition K and, if passed in the March 2004 election, from the increase to the Bay Area’s bridge tolls.

**REINVESTMENT** This station is scheduled to have new, energy efficient lighting fixtures and lamps installed inside the station in 2005, as part of ongoing station renovation program activities.

**CAPACITY IMPROVEMENTS** The Embarcadero Station was studied in 2003 as a “Downtown Subway” station prototype to define Safety

Criteria and Passenger Service Criteria. These criteria are used to analyze the critical areas of platform capacity, vertical circulation (stairs/escalators) capacity, and faregate capacity. Specific proposals for the Embarcadero Station in the arena of capacity increasing projects will be incorporated in the Capacity Plan section of the Comprehensive Station Plan.